

LISTING OF THE CLAIMS

The following listing, if entered, replaces all prior versions of the claims in the present application.

1. (Currently Amended) A computer-implemented method comprising:
 defining an opportunity class ~~representing an opportunity, the opportunity class identifying a set of relationships of the opportunity with a plurality of entities related to the opportunity~~, wherein
 the defining is performed at an integration server[[]; and]],
the opportunity class represents an opportunity, and
the opportunity class identifies a set of relationships of the
opportunity with a plurality of entities related to the
opportunity; and
 transforming data received from a source application, wherein
 the transforming is performed at the integration server,
the data received from the source application is in a source format,
the transforming transforms the data received from the source format
into a common format, and
the common format is a format recognized by the integration server.

2. (Previously Presented) The computer-implemented method of claim 1 wherein the plurality of entities related to the opportunity includes entities selected from the group consisting of related accounts, related contact parties, one or more related parent opportunities, related sales employees and consultants, activities associated with the opportunity, a related source organization, a related destination partner, and related revenue.

3. (Previously Presented) The computer-implemented method of claim 1 wherein the opportunity class includes a custom data element for defining one or more custom data fields for the opportunity class.

4. (Previously Presented) The computer-implemented method of claim 3 wherein the one or more custom data fields of the opportunity class are specific to an application.

5. (Previously Presented) The computer-implemented method of claim 1 further comprising:

instantiating the opportunity class; and
initializing data elements of the instantiated opportunity class.

6. (Currently Amended) The computer-implemented method of claim 5 wherein the transforming the data received from the source application further comprises:

~~transforming the data received from the source application into a common format of the opportunity class;~~

transforming the data transformed into the common format into a target format of a target application; and

sending the data transformed into the target format to the target application.

7. (Previously Presented) The computer-implemented method of claim 1 wherein a definition of the opportunity class is represented as an XML schema.

8. (Currently Amended) A method for data transformation, the method comprising:

receiving opportunity data from a source application, wherein

the opportunity data received from the source application is in a source format,

the opportunity data represents an opportunity, and

the receiving is performed at an integration server; and

transforming the opportunity data received from the source format into a common format defined by an opportunity class, wherein

the opportunity class identifies a set of relationships of [[an]] the opportunity with a plurality of entities related to the opportunity,
and

the common format is a format recognized by the integration server,
and
 the transforming is performed at the integration server.

9. (Original) The method of claim 8 wherein the plurality of entities related to the opportunity includes entities selected from the group consisting of related accounts, related contact parties, one or more related parent opportunities, related sales employees and consultants, activities associated with the opportunity, a related source organization, a related destination partner, and related revenue.

10. (Original) The method of claim 8 wherein the opportunity class includes a custom data element for defining one or more custom data fields for the opportunity class.

11. (Currently Amended) A machine-readable storage medium having executable instructions to cause a machine to perform a method comprising:
 defining an opportunity class ~~representing an opportunity, the opportunity class identifying a set of relationships of the opportunity with a plurality of entities related to the opportunity,~~ wherein
 the defining is performed at an integration server[[]; and]],
the opportunity class represents an opportunity, and
the opportunity class identifies a set of relationships of the
opportunity with a plurality of entities related to the
opportunity; and
 transforming data received from a source application, wherein
 the transforming is performed at the integration server,
the data received from the source application is in a source format,
the transforming transforms the data received from the source format
into a common format, and
the common format is a format recognized by the integration server.

12. (Previously Presented) The machine-readable storage medium of claim 11 wherein the plurality of entities related to the opportunity includes entities selected from the group consisting of related accounts, related contact parties, one or more related parent opportunities, related sales employees and consultants, activities associated with the opportunity, a related source organization, a related destination partner, and related revenue.

13. (Previously Presented) The machine-readable storage medium of claim 11 wherein the opportunity class includes a custom data element for defining one or more custom data fields for the opportunity class.

14. (Previously Presented) The machine-readable storage medium of claim 13 wherein a definition of the opportunity class is represented as an XML schema.

15. (Currently Amended) A machine-readable storage medium having executable instructions to cause a machine to perform a method comprising:

receiving opportunity data from a source application, wherein

the opportunity data received from the source application is in a source format,

the opportunity data represents an opportunity, and

the receiving is performed at an integration server; and

transforming the opportunity data **received from the source format** into a

common format defined by an opportunity class, wherein

the opportunity class identifies a set of relationships of **[[an]] the**

opportunity with a plurality of entities related to the opportunity,

and

the common format is a format recognized by the integration server,

and

the transforming is performed at the integration server.

16. (Previously Presented) The machine-readable storage medium of claim 15 wherein the plurality of entities related to the opportunity includes entities selected from the group consisting of related accounts, related contact parties, one or more related

parent opportunities, related sales employees and consultants, activities associated with the opportunity, a related source organization, a related destination partner, and related revenue.

17. (Previously Presented) The machine-readable storage medium of claim 15 wherein the opportunity class includes a custom data element for defining one or more custom data fields for the opportunity class.

18. (Currently Amended) A system comprising:
 a memory; and
 at least one processor coupled to the memory, the at least one processor executing a set of instructions which cause the processor to
 define an opportunity class ~~representing an opportunity, the opportunity class identifying a set of relationships of the opportunity with a plurality of entities related to the opportunity,~~ wherein
 the defining is performed at an integration server[[]; and[]],
the opportunity class represents an opportunity, and
the opportunity class identifies a set of relationships of the
opportunity with a plurality of entities related to the
opportunity; and
 transform data received from a source application, wherein
 the transform is performed at the integration server,
the data received from the source application is in a source
format,
the transform transforms the data received from the source
format into a common format, and
the common format is a format recognized by the integration
server.

19. (Original) The system of claim 18 wherein the plurality of entities related to the opportunity includes entities selected from the group consisting of related accounts, related contact parties, one or more related parent opportunities, related sales employees and consultants, activities associated with the opportunity, a related source organization, a related destination partner, and related revenue.

20. (Currently Amended) A system comprising:
 a memory; and
 at least one processor coupled to the memory, the at least one processor executing a set of instructions which cause the processor to receive opportunity data from a source application, wherein
the opportunity data received from the source application is in a source format,
 the receiving is performed at an integration server, and
 transform the opportunity data **received from the source format** into a common format defined by an opportunity class, wherein
 the opportunity class represents an opportunity and identifies a set of relationships of the opportunity with a plurality of entities related to the opportunity, ~~and~~
the common format is a format recognized by the integration server, and
 the transform is performed at the integration server, ~~wherein~~
~~**the transform is performed at the integration server.**~~

21. (Original) The system of claim 20 wherein the plurality of entities related to the opportunity includes entities selected from the group consisting of related accounts, related contact parties, one or more related parent opportunities, related sales employees and consultants, activities associated with the opportunity, a related source organization, a related destination partner, and related revenue.

22. (Currently Amended) An apparatus for representing a class definition, the apparatus comprising:

a processor;

an integration server comprising

means for defining an opportunity class ~~representing an opportunity, the opportunity class identifying a set of relationships of the opportunity with a plurality of entities related to the opportunity, wherein~~
the opportunity class represents an opportunity, and
the opportunity class identifies a set of relationships of the opportunity with a plurality of entities related to the opportunity; and

means for transforming data received from a source application, wherein the data received from the source application is in a source format,
the transforming transforms the data received from the source format into a common format, and
the common format is a format recognized by an integration server.

23. (Currently Amended) An apparatus for data transformation, the apparatus comprising:

a processor;

an integration server comprising

means for receiving opportunity data from a source application, wherein the opportunity data received from the source application is in a source format, and
the opportunity data represents an opportunity; and

means for transforming the opportunity data received from the source format into a common format defined by an opportunity class, wherein

the opportunity class represents the opportunity and identifies a set of relationships of the opportunity with a plurality of entities related to the opportunity, and the common format is a format recognized by an integration server.